

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejection of the subject matter of this application is requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1, 3-8, 10, 13-18, and 20-23 have been canceled. Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, and 19 remain for consideration.

The Drawing

The drawing is objected to by the Official draftsman because Fig. 4 and 8 have defective margins, and Figs. 7, and 9-11 are not legible. The Examiner makes the same objection to Figs. 7, and 9-11.

A new set of formal drawings accompanies this paper. The margins for Fig. 4 and 8 have been corrected.

Because of the defective nature of the plots, and the complexity thereof, coupled with the marginal value of the contents toward teaching the invention, these drawings, and all specific references thereto have been removed from the application. The description of the data that was contained in the drawings has been retained in total. Thus, other than the illustrations of the curves, the actual plots are believed to add little or nothing to the overall description. Since the plots were regarded as illegible in the application as filed, they evidently contributed nothing to the Examiner's consideration and conclusions regarding the meaning and clarity of the invention, and the patentability of the claims. Fig. 8 is now Fig. 7.

The Specification

Amendments to the specification, as just described, are made above.

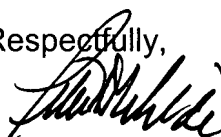
These amendments include correction of errors in the reference numbers for the figures, as pointed out by the Examiner. Reference to Fig. 8 has been changed to Fig. 7.

Summary and Conclusion

Claims 2, 9, 11, 12, and 19, the only claims remaining, have been indicated by the Examiner as allowable, if re-written in independent form. The appropriate re-written claims are presented above. This application appears to be in condition for allowance and such action is requested.

In the event that the Examiner concludes that a telephone is needed, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to call the undersigned attorney at Area Code 757-258-9018.

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